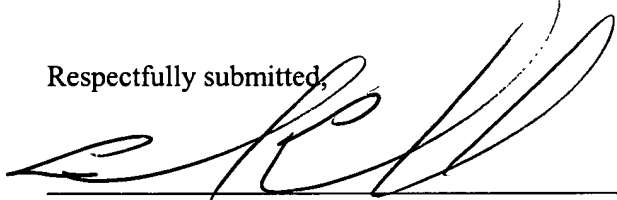


Applicant's prior invention is provided in a separate affidavit, attached. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully asks that the Examiner withdraw the rejection of claims 6-12 and 22.

As a result of the foregoing, it is respectfully asserted that all the claims in the Application are in a condition for allowance. Should the Examiner deem that any further amendment is desirable to place this application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew S. Ehmke
Reg. No. 50,271

Dated: August 16, 2005
HAYNES AND BOONE, LLP
901 Main Street, Suite 3100
Dallas, Texas 75202-3789
Telephone: (214) 651-5116
Facsimile: (214) 200-0853

D-1364248.1